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Dear Madam:

It is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. The Issue Fee was paid <u>August 21, 2008</u> but no Issue Notification has been received. Please advise us of when we might expect to receive the Issue Notification from the Patent and Trademark Office.

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